UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA		
KIMBERLY BERNARD, Derivatively on Behalf of MARATHON DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC. (f/k/a MARATHON PATENT GROUP, INC.),  Plaintiff,  v.  FRED THEIL, GEORGES ANTOUN, KEVIN DENUCCIO, SARITA JAMES, JAY LEUPP, SAID OUISSAL, MERRICK D. OKAMOTO, and SIMEON SALZMAN,  Defendants,  and  MARATHON DIGITAL HOLDINGS, INC. (f/k/a MARATHON PATENT GROUP, INC.),  Nominal Defendant.	VERIFIED PETITION FOR PERMISSION TO PRACTICE IN THIS CASE ONLY BY ATTORNEY NOT ADMITTED TO THE BAR OF THIS COURT AND DESIGNATION OF LOCAL COUNSEL  FILING FEE IS \$250.00	
Caroline Hickey Zalka , Petition (name of petitioner)  1. That Petitioner is an attorney at law Weil, Gotshal &		
The state of the s	name)	
with offices at (street address)		
(area code + telephone number)  2. That Petitioner has been retained p	New York (state), 10153 (zip code)  oline.zalka@weil.com (Email address)  ersonally or as a member of the law firm by to provide legal representation in connection w	
the above-entitled case now pending before this C	Court. Rev. 5.	

1	3. That since 10/04/2004, Petitioner has been and presently is a		
2	(date) member in good standing of the bar of the highest Court of the State ofNew York		
3	(state) where Petitioner regularly practices law. Petitioner shall attach a certificate from the state bar or		
4	from the clerk of the supreme court or highest admitting court of each state, territory, or insular		
5	possession of the United States in which the applicant has been admitted to practice law certifying		
6	the applicant's membership therein is in good standing.		
7	4. That Petitioner was admitted to practice before the following United States District		
8	Courts, United States Circuit Courts of Appeal, the Supreme Court of the United States and Courts		
9	of other States on the dates indicated for each, and that Petitioner is presently a member in good		
10	standing of the bars of said Courts.		
11	Court Date Admitted Bar Number		
12	See Ex. A		
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19	<ol> <li>That there are or have been no disciplinary proceedings instituted against petitioner,</li> </ol>		
20	nor any suspension of any license, certificate or privilege to appear before any judicial, regulatory		
21	or administrative body, or any resignation or termination in order to avoid disciplinary or		
22	disbarment proceedings, except as described in detail below:		
23	None.		
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1	6. That Petitioner has never been denied admission to the State Bar of Nevada. (Given		
2	particulars if ever denied admission):		
3	None.		
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6	7. That Petitioner is a member of good standing in the following Bar Associations.		
7	None.		
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10	8. Petitioner has filed application(s) to appear as counsel under Local Rule IA 11-2		
11	(formerly LR IA 10-2) during the past three (3) years in the following matters: (State "none" if no applications.)		
12 13	Date of Application Cause Title of Court Was Application Administrative Body Granted or or Arbitrator Denied		
14	None.		
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19	(If necessary, please attach a statement of additional applications)		
20	9. Petitioner consents to the jurisdiction of the courts and disciplinary boards of the		
21	State of Nevada with respect to the law of this state governing the conduct of attorneys to the same		
22	extent as a member of the State Bar of Nevada.		
23	10. Petitioner agrees to comply with the standards of professional conduct required of		
24	the members of the bar of this court.		
25	11. Petitioner has disclosed in writing to the client that the applicant is not admitted to		
26	practice in this jurisdiction and that the client has consented to such representation.		
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1	That Petitioner respectfully prays that Petitioner be admitted to practice before this Court		
2	FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CASE ONLY.		
3	Callante		
4	Petitioner's signature		
5	STATE OF New York )		
6	COUNTY OF New York )		
7	Caroline Hickey Zalka , Petitioner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:		
8	That the foregoing statements are true.		
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10	Petitioner's signature Subscribed and sworn to before me this		
	Subscribed and sworm to before the unis		
11	22 day of March, 2022.		
12	MARY PAUL Notary Public, State of New York		
13	Notary/Public or Clerk of Court  Notary/Public or Clerk of Court  Notary/Public or Clerk of Court  No. 24-4895779  Qualified in Kings County  Commission Expires June 22, 2023		
14	Commission expires June 22, Quas		
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16	DESIGNATION OF RESIDENT ATTORNEY ADMITTED TO		
17	THE BAR OF THIS COURT AND CONSENT THERETO.		
18	Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Rules of Practice for this Court, the Petitioner		
19	believes it to be in the best interests of the client(s) to designate   James Pisanelli  (name of local counsel)		
	Attorney at Law, member of the State of Nevada and previously admitted to practice before the		
20	above-entitled Court as associate resident counsel in this action. The address and email address of		
21	said designated Nevada counsel is:		
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23	Pisanelli Bice, PLLC 400 South 7th St., Suite 300 (street address)		
24	Las Vegas Nevada 89101		
25	(city) (state) (zip code)		
26	702-214-2100 , jpp@pisanellibice.com		
27	(area code + telephone number) (Email address)		
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1	By this designation the petitioner and undersigned party(ies) agree that this designation constitutes
2	agreement and authorization for the designated resident admitted counsel to sign stipulations
3	binding on all of us.
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5	APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL
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7	The undersigned party(ies) appoint(s)  James Pisanelli as
8	(name of local counsel) his/her/their Designated Resident Nevada Counsel in this case.
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11	(party's signature)
12	Jim Crawford, COO, Marathon Digital Holdings, Inc.  (type or print party name, title)
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14	(party's signature)
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16	(type or print party name, title)
17	CONSENT OF DESIGNEE
18	The undersigned hereby consents to serve as associate resident Nevada counsel in this case.
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20	Designated Resident Nevada Counsel's signature
	jjp@pisanellibice.com
21	Bar number Email address
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23	APPROVED:
24	Dated: this day of, 20
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26	UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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## APPOINTMENT OF DESIGNATED RESIDENT NEVADA COUNSEL (Continued) 1 The undersigned parties appoint James Pisanelli as their Designated Resident Nevada 2 3 Counsel in this case. 4 (signature) Fred Thiel, CLO & Chairman, Marathon 5 (type or print party name, title) 6 7 (signature) Georges Antoun, Director, Marathon 8 (type or print party name, title) 9 10 (signature) Kevin DeNuccio, Director, Marathon 11 (type or print party name, title) 12 13 14 (signature) Sarita James, Director, Marathon (type or print party name, title) 15 16 (signature) 17 Jay Leupp, Director, Marathon (type or print party name, title) 18 19 (signature) 20 Said Ouissal, Director, Marathon (type or print party name, title) 21 22 23 (signature) Merrick D. Okamoto, former CEO & Chairman, Marathon 24 (type or print party name, title) 25 (signature) 26 Simeon Salzman, CAO, Marathon (type or print party name, title) 27 28

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	Simeon Salzman, CAO, Marathon (type or print party name, title)	(signature)

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## Exhibit A

## **Bar Admissions**

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Court	Date Admitted	Bar Number
New York State Supreme Court, Appellate Division, First Department	10/04/2004	4263448
U.S. District Court, S.D.N.Y.	11/22/2005	CZ4710
U.S. District Court, E.D.N.Y.	2/17/2006	CZ4710
19th Jud. District, Weld County, Colorado	04/20/2013	No such number assigned
Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit	10/14/2014	No such number assigned
U.S. District Court, E.D.V.A.	09/18/2015	No such number assigned
Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit	11/13/2015	No such number assigned
U.S. District Court, N.D. Cal.	3/28/2018	No such number assigned

## Exhibit B

# **Certificate of Good Standing**



## Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York First Judicial Department

I, Susanna M. Rojas, Clerk of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Judicial Department, do hereby certify that

## Caroline Zalka

was duly licensed and admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in all the courts of this State on October 4, 2004, has duly taken and subscribed the oath of office prescribed by law, has been enrolled in the Roll of Attorneys and Counselors at Law on file in this office, is duly registered with the Administration Office of the Courts, and according to the records of this Court is currently in good standing as an Attorney and Counselor-at-Law.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand in the City of New York on March 11, 2022.

Clerk of the Court

CertID-00057308



## Supreme Court of the State of New York Appellate Division, First Department

#### ROLANDO T. ACOSTA PRESIDING JUSTICE

SUSANNA MOLINA ROJAS CLERK OF THE COURT MARGARET SOWAH
DEPUTY CLERK OF THE COURT

To Whom It May Concern

An attorney admitted to practice by this Court may request a certificate of good standing, which is the only official document this Court issues certifying to an attorney's admission and good standing.

An attorney's registration status, date of admission and disciplinary history may be viewed through the attorney search feature on the website of the Unified Court System.

New York State does not register attorneys as active or inactive.

An attorney may request a disciplinary history letter from the <u>Attorney Grievance Committee of the First Judicial Department</u>.

Bar examination history is available from the <u>New York State Board of Law Examiners</u>.

Instructions, forms and links are available on this Court's website.

Susanna Rojas Clerk of the Court

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